

Since my tax dollars help support public airwaves, I feel I have every right to protest Sinclair's use to force stations to air a politically biased film on Sen. Kerry. I suggest that the FCC show some muscle and clamp down on biased reporting, unfair coverage. It used to be the media was required to give rebuttals and equal time. Maybe this is why more and more people are looking to the Internet to gain the truth.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.